

Cote d'Ivoire

US State Dept Travel Advisory

The US Department of State currently recommends US citizens **RECONSIDER TRAVEL** to Cote d'Ivoire due to Covid 19. Exercise caution due to civil unrest, crime, terrorism and upcoming elections. Consult its website daily via the link below for any travel advisories about visiting this country.

<https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/traveladvisories/traveladvisories.html>

Passport/Visa Requirements

US citizens should make sure their passport will not expire for at least 6 months after they enter the country even if they do not intend to stay that long. They should also make sure they have at least 1 blank page in their passport for any entry stamp and or visa that will be required. A visa is required. US citizens will need to get in touch with the country's embassy or nearest consulate to obtain a visa prior to visiting the country.

US Embassy/Consulate

[225] 22 49 40 00; US Embassy in Abidjan, Cocody Riviéra Golf, 01 BP 1712 Abidjan 01, Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire

Vaccinations

An International Certificate of Vaccination for yellow fever is required for all travelers. See WHO recommendations.

<http://www.who.int>

Climate

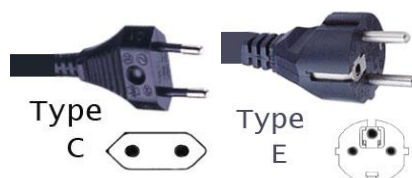
Tropical along coast, semiarid in far north; 3 seasons - warm and dry (November to March), hot and dry (March to May), hot and wet (June to October)

Currency (Code)

Communaute Financiere Africaine francs (Western African CFA francs, XOF)

Electricity/Voltage/Plug Type(s)

220 V / 50Hz / plug type(s): C, E



Major Languages

French, 60 native dialects of which Dioula is the most widely spoken

Religions

Muslim 42.9%, Catholic 17.2%, Evangelical 11.8%, Methodist 1.7%, other Christian 3.2%, animist 3.6%, other religion 0.5%, none 19.1%; note: the majority of foreign migrant workers are Muslim (72.7%) and Christian (17.7%)

Time Difference

UTC 0 (5 hours ahead of Washington, DC, during Standard Time)

Potable Water

Opt for bottled water.

International Driving Permit

Suggested

Road Driving Side

Right

Tourist destinations	Grand-Bassam; Abidjan (includes St. Paul's Cathedral, Plateau Salam Mosque); Mont Sangbe National Park; Taï National Park; Jacqueville
Cultural Practices	It is common to start and end social engagements by shaking the hand of all parties in attendance.
Tipping Guidelines	It is usually acceptable to tip at a flat rate of 500-2,000 francs at restaurants. 1,500 francs is normal for tipping hotel staff, and taxi drivers do not expect to be tipped.
Telephone Code	225
Local Emergency Phone	Ambulance: 185; Fire: 180; Police: 111

Please visit the following links to find further information about your desired destination.

[World Health Organization \(WHO\) - To learn what vaccines and health precautions to take while visiting your destination. http://www.who.int](http://www.who.int)

[US State Dept Travel Information - Overall information about foreign travel for US citizens. https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel.html](https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel.html)

[To obtain an international driving permit \(IDP\). Only two organizations in the US issue IDPs: American Automobile Association \(AAA\) \(www.aaa.com\) and American Automobile Touring Alliance \(AATA\) \(www.aataidp.com\)](http://www.aaa.com)

US citizens may call the US Dept of State (+1-202-501-4444) for emergencies abroad.

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